IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Le V. Nguyer
ALISTAIR WILLIAM MCLEAN, et al.)	
		Group Art Unit: 2174
Application No.: 09/986,814)	
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Filed: November 13, 2001)	
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For: FILTER BASED)	
AUTHORING TOOL		July 23, 2008

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application for which a Request For Continued Examination is being filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the final Office Action dated January 23, 2008, the period for response to which having been extended to July 23, 2008 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: